THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

SATURDAY (7/27)

3:30-4:30 PM: Reconciliation *(Chapel)*

5 PM: MASS

SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (7/28)

Altar Flowers Provided in Loving Memory of Philomena and Paul Marsh by Margaret Marsh

8:30 AM: MASS

11 AM: MASS

12:15-1:15 PM: St. Theresa of Avila Series *(Chapel)*

MONDAY (7/29)

10 AM-NOON: Food Pantry

NOON: Angelus and Communion Service

TUESDAY (7/30)

10 AM-NOON: Food Pantry

NOON: Angelus and Communion Service

6-8:30 PM: Schola Rehearsals *(Lower Level)*

WEDNESDAY (7/31)

10 AM-NOON: Food Pantry

NOON: Angelus and Communion Service

NOON: AA Meeting *(Lower Level)*

7:30 PM: Confraternity of St. Joseph *(Lower Level)*

THURSDAY (8/1)

NOON: Angelus and Communion Service

NOON: Soup Kitchen

FRIDAY (8/2)

NOON: Angelus and Communion Service

NOON: AA Meeting *(Lower Level)*

SATURDAY (8/3)

3:30-4:30 PM: Reconciliation *(Chapel)*

5 PM: MASS

EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (8/4)

Donations for Altar Flowers Gladly Accepted

8:30 AM: MASS

11 AM: MASS

12:15-1:15 PM: St. Theresa of Avila Series *(Chapel)*

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To find a Parish wherever you may be visiting, visit the site, or download the Mass Times for Travel app!

UPCOMING LITURGICAL SCHEDULE CHANGES

Father Joseph Mary will be traveling to Uganda on Wednesday, July 24, and while he is away, there will be some modifications to the schedule. Reconciliation will continue to be offered on Saturdays from 3:30-4:30 PM and Weekend Masses will be at 5 PM Saturdays and at 8:30 and 11 AM on Sundays. Please refer to the Bulletin, call the office, 434.295.7185, or visit our website, holycomforterparish.org, for updates. Please pray for Father's safety until he returns to us in August.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, July 27

5 PM ✝Evelyn Berlin (Connie Flamm)

Sunday, July 28

8:30 AM ✝Philomena and ✝Paul Marsh (Margaret Marsh)

11 AM ✝Margaret "Peggy" Gable (Members of the Parish)

Saturday, August 3

5 PM ✝Eugenia Walendowski (Food Pantry Volunteers)

Sunday, August 4

8:30 AM ✝Renzo Petroni (Petroni-Conway Family)

11 AM Members of the Parish

SAINTS TO REMEMBER

7/28	St. Victor I
7/29	St. Martha
7/30	Bl. Solanus Casey
7/31	St. Ignatius of Loyola
8/1	St. Alphonsus Liguori
8/2	St. Eusebius of Vercelli
8/3	St. Lydia

NEXT WEEKEND'S READINGS
EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading

Ecclesiastes 1:2; 2:21-23

Vanity of vanities! All things are vanity!

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 95:1-2, 6-9

If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.

Second Reading

Colossians 3:1-5, 9-11

There is neither Greek nor Jew, but Christ is all in all.

Gospel Reading

Luke 12:13-21

A person's life does not consist of possessions.

WE ARE LOOKING FOR A FEW GOOD CATECHISTS!

Catechists are needed for our wonderful Children's Formation Program. Two are needed for Pre-K, one for grades 2-3 and one or two for grades 9-12. Training is provided! Please consider this rewarding opportunity to serve the children and parents of our parish. Please contact Melinda Wells for more information cre@holycomforterparish.org

GIFTS FROM GOD

JULY 20 and 21, 2019

Offertory (plate)	$3,102
Offertory (online)	$2,096
Weekly Offertory Budget	$7,500
Below Weekly Budget	*($2,302)*

2019 ANNUAL DIOCESAN APPEAL
Building Our Family of Faith
Holy Comforter Parish Target: $22,740
July 18 Parish Donor Report: $20,190

PLEASE KEEP HOLY COMFORTER IN MIND DURING YOUR SUMMER TRAVELS
If you will be away this summer, you can make your offertory contributions with Online Giving from wherever you are! And, when you do so, it helps us to meet our regular financial obligations. All Second Collections are accepted online, as well. Please visit holycomforterparish.org for the **Online Giving** link.

HOLY COMFORTER 2020
In preparation for the 140th Anniversary of our Parish, we are accepting contributions to assist us in carrying out the various projects being organized. These include, **Social** Activities; **Physical** Improvements to our church; and **Spiritua**l Formation.
To contribute online, please look for the link on our website: holycomforterparish.org

PARISH NEWS

TAKE A SIP!
We have installed an Elkay EZH20 Bottle Filling Station! This drinking fountain meets the ADA standard for accessibility; filters for lead, particulate, chlorine, taste and odor reduction; and has Silver Ion Antimicrobial protection on key plastic components to inhibit the growth of mold and mildew. We are delighted that it will save floor space and eliminate the need for disposable cups.

PARISH OUTING SATURDAY 9/28 NATS V. INDIANS
Join your fellow parishioners, as well as other church and fellowship groups, on Saturday September 28 at 4:05 PM for FAITH DAY at Nationals Park. The baseball game will be followed by an inspirational postgame celebration of faith. We will carpool and caravan at 12:30 PM. Tickets are $32 per person for all ages. Sign up in the Commons.
Please contact Jill Paitsel for more information, reception@holycomforterparish.org

PLEASE KEEP THE FOLLOWING IN YOUR PRAYERS
Kindly notify us at office@holycomforterparish.org if you would like a name added to or removed from this list.
To arrange to receive Holy Communion or a visit by Father Joseph Mary, please call the parish office 434.295.7185.

THE ILL & HOME BOUND
Parishioners: Jolene Green, Ruth Henahan, Arthur Henahan, John Eros, Marie Murray, Dan Petruso, Bill Phillips, Phillip Carr, Kitty Moore, Richard Fagan, Raymond Painley, Mildred Dudley, Pam Heron, Mary Griffin, Eileen Foster, Fran Cannon Slayton, Michael Ludgate, Frank Pologruto, Al Bracuti.
Family and Friends: Barbara Lachance, Marian Dolliver, Mike Charlie, Hernan Enrique Caceres, Veronica Natalia Chavez, Maria Sol Montel, Veronica Rodriguez, Luz Alejandra Bringas, Carolina Silvia Brizuela Perez, Rodolfo Martin Arruabarrena, Gustavo Caceres, Kwasi Johnson, Ben Tensley, Randy T. Johnson, Christy Ackerman, Chris Irwin Krupka, Traci McQuhae, Brett McQuhae, Helena McQuhae, Cullen McQuhae, Ann Ramsey, Louis Ross, Will DeGregorio, Alice Stavicksey, Marlene Schmidt, Elizabeth Scott, Blandine Attey, Susan Allport, Scott Painley, Jeremy Breedlove, Scarlett Makielski, Rev. John Abe, Samantha Nelson, Joel Rivera, Mr. Kosh, Judge Conrad, Claudia Hartland, Aileen Green, Christine Fitzgerald, Daniel Moore, Katie George, James Worley, Thomas Johnson, Brenda Gayle Johnson, Sue Newman, Carolyn Ann Davis, Andy Gillespie, JoAnn Fox Klein, Susan Steeby, Suzanne Lank, Susan Straub Martin, Josephine Nampijja, Christine Bentéjac, Kimberly Hasenfus Hulick, John Patrick Dennison, Christine Russo Carpenter, Benedict Pax, Brian Driscoll, Aimee Nyiramugisha.

MEMBERS OF THE MILITARY
Nick Bruno, Nathaniel Byrd, Jeffrey Jaeger, Pete Bakke, Michael Eiermann, Tom Logan, William Murray, Trey Linebrink, Jeff Woodside, Charles G. Ellison, and Matthew Mickiewicz.

HEARING LOOP AVAILABLE
Please switch your hearing aid or cochlear device to the T, T-Coil or Telephone position. For additional assistance, please ask one of our ushers.

RECENTLY DECEASED PARISHIONER
✝Joseph Randall Kiernan
✝Margaret "Peggy" Gable

PARISHIONER WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES
07/05/1969 + Florence and Roman Bakke
07/14/1973 + Sharon and Emmett Dudley

FAITH HOPE LOVE

TEACH US TO PRAY

CHRISTIAN FORMATION

ST. TERESA OF AVILA MINSERIES BEGINS THIS SUNDAY
Due to technical difficulties last Sunday, the series begins this Sunday at 12:15 in the Chapel. It will continue on the following Sundays: July 28, August 4, 11, 18 & 25, September 15 and October 20.

ADULT FORMATION FEATURED BOOK OF THE MONTH
This month's featured book, *Resisting Happiness* by Matthew Kelly is a true story about why we sabotage ourselves, feel overwhelmed, set aside our dreams, and lack courage to simply be ourselves…and how to start choosing happiness again! Please pick up your free copy on the Christian Formation table in the Commons.

REGISTRATION IS UNDERWAY FOR 2019-2020!
Please visit the Christian Formation table or contact Melinda Wells for more information.

CATHOLIC COMMUNITY NEWS

MEN'S CURSILLO WEEKEND 10/17-10/20/2019

Are you looking for a deeper dive into your Spiritual journey as a Catholic Man? Consider attending a Cursillo to REFRESH YOUR SOUL! Cursillo is a 3-day course in Spirituality and teaches an awareness of Christ in every moment of your life. Our next **Men's Cursillo Weekend** is 7 PM Thursday, October 17 through 5 PM Sunday, October 20 at Camp Overlook in Keezletown. Come walk this journey alongside other Catholic men and be filled with the JOY Christ offers us. Applications and more information about Cursillo are available in the Commons, from our parish representative, Les Berlin lester_berlin@yahoo.com, or at valleycursillo.com. **Application deadline is October 3, 2019**.

WOMEN'S CURSILLO WEEKEND
*SAVE THE DATE**!** April 30-May 3, 2020 at Camp Overlook.*

CHARLOTTESVILLE CATHOLIC SCHOOL
CCS is seeking qualified candidates for aftercare positions. Candidates must be available daily from 3-5:30 PM and have experience working with children 4-15. For more information, please contact Vada Fallica at v.fallica@cvillecatholic.org.

SOCIAL MINISTRIES

BI-PARISH HAITI MINISTRY
St. Michel Father Eulorge Petina, is planning to visit us in October. A dinner auction event is being planned. Let us know if you can help with the visit!
Help Needed!
Plans for a dinner auction, tasting event and a golf outing are in their initial stages. Contact Ginny if you can help ginnyannzeller@gmail.com
Bi-Parish Haiti Committee
All are welcome to attend our next meeting at 1:30 PM, Sunday, September 8 at St. Thomas Aquinas. For more information, contact Ginny Zeller at ginnyannzeller@gmail.com or visit saltadere.org.

SAVE THE DATE!
ThriVe® Women's Healthcare of Central Virginia (formerly The **Pregnancy Centers of Central Virginia**) will be hosting their annual fundraising dinner at the DoubleTree by Hilton on October 26, 2019!! Holy Comforter has filled tables of 10 the past four years. Let's do it again this year for this very worthwhile cause. Futher details about signing up to reserve your place will be posted in upcoming bulletins. Please contact Barb Cassidy, bcc32968@gmail.com with questions!

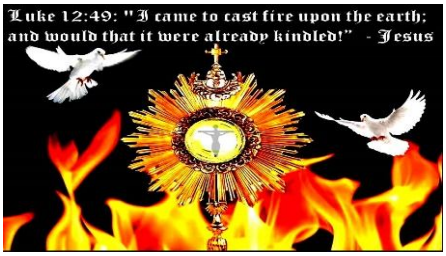
SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

Holy Comforter Parish has joined together with Church of the Incarnation and St. Thomas Aquinas to form a new SVdP conference. The mission is to grow spiritually through helping our friends in need in this community. If you are interested in joining us, please contact Chuck McCurdy cwm@virginia.edu 434-293-3210.

CATHOLIC SOCIAL TEACHING RESOURCES FROM OSM
Salt and Light Webinar Recordings
The Office of Social Ministries (OSM) has hosted a monthly webinar to discuss different aspects of Catholic Social Teaching. Find recordings of all archived episodes here: https://richmonddiocese.org/office/osm/?tab=6
The Watch is a devotional prayer book that will guide participants to explore and meditate on the Church's Social Teaching. Download it here: https://gallery.mailchimp.com/27e76632aef1ba6ea7cf041ab/files/The.Watch.FINAL.2016_Reduced_Size.pdf

FROM OUR PASTOR
Very Rev. Joseph Mary Lukyamuzi, V.F.

Time of the Holy Spirit 2019:
THE MYSTERY OF THE HOLY SPIRIT THE NEW COVENANT *(Part 8)*



And the Spirit of the Lord shall rest upon him, the Spirit of wisdom and understanding, the Spirit of counsel and might, the Spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord." (Isaiah 11:2)

We continue with our reflection on the gifts of the Holy Spirit**. The Gift of Fortitude**: Fortitude is the gift that enables us to stand firm in our faith when the world says otherwise. We needn't mention the several instances where Christians have been killed for professing their faith. Fortitude is a blessing enabling believers to be steady in their hearts and mind and be loyal to Christ even in the most challenging situations, instead of renouncing their faith in fear. Note, that to be courageous to defend the Lord doesn't imply to purposefully ask for such trouble. However, if it comes to a point where we must sacrifice ourselves for God's glory, fortitude is an essential virtue.

The Gift of Knowledge: Like wisdom, knowledge is the perfection of faith, but whereas wisdom gives us the desire to judge all things according to the truths of the Catholic Faith, knowledge is the actual ability to do so. Knowledge, in this context, is more than getting our facts checked, it is to know the things that constitute our lives, both spiritual and material, and alter the course of our thoughts, words, and deed, accordingly. When our knowledge comes from the Holy Spirit, our lives transcend to the light of righteousness and mercy. Through knowledge comes better understanding and judgment, so, knowledge eliminates the loopholes that tend to lead us astray from God. Like counsel, it is aimed at our actions in this life. In a limited way this gift allows us to see the circumstances of our life the way that God sees them.

The Gift of Piety: Also known as the gift of 'Reverence,' here we serve God purely out of love, trust, and admiration. The truth is that many of us profess our love for God, yet forcefully abide by the Biblical values, as if compelled to do so only because we are Christians. However, upon receiving this gift, we include God in everything, in matters big and small. Under the blessing of the Holy Spirit, we don't pray, help, or minister by force, or because it's the law, but because we love God and want everyone to witness His mercy. Piety takes that willingness beyond a sense of duty so that we desire to worship God and to serve Him out of love, the way that we desire to honor our parents and do what they wish.

The Gift of Fear of the Lord: The gift of the 'Fear of the Lord' doesn't imply to be fearful in terms of being punished or persecuted by the Lord, in fact, it implies being fearful as to not offend our dear Lord because He is the reason we are. As his children and creatures, we have witnessed His help, love, protection and mercy in our lives numerous times. And, in our hearts we also know that we can't exist without His loving hand on us. Therefore, the Fear of the Lord is a gift, a belief that we will be given the grace and protection in times of trial, so as to not offend our Lord in any manner. We are His children and He is our loving Father. Why would children offend a Father who loves them so much? This gift confirms the Theological virtue of hope to enjoy heaven with our Father.

In conclusion, the key to all of these gifts of the Holy Spirit is **love**. We would never think of offending the ones we love, and would even lay our lives down for their honor. These seven gifts can be received after you follow this one command: ***"Love God with all your heart, mind, soul and strength and your neighbor as you love yourself."*** (End)